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| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Kuninori Shino, Yoshinobu Kure, Kazuyoshi Horie, Youichi Toriumi , Yoshifumi Masuda, and Kazuhito Nagura | | | | | | | | | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U S C 371. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing 35 U S C. 371 | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 x | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U S C 371 (f)) The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31). | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. x | x A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) | | | | | | | | | |
| a | is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau) | | | | | | | | | |
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| c | is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 x | An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U S C 371 (c)(2)). | | | | | | | | | |
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| b | has been previously submitted under 35 U S C 154(d)(4) | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 x | Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S C. 371 (c)(3)) | | | | | | | | | |
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| 8 | An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under P | CT Article 19 (35 U S C. 371 (c)(3)). | | | | | | | | |
| 9. x | An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U S.C. 371 (c)(4)). (Unexec | cuted) | | | | | | | | |
| 10. | An English language translation of the annexes to the International Prelim Article 36 (35 U S.C. 371 (c)(5)) | ninary Examination Report under PCT | | | | | | | | |
| Items 1 | to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. x | An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. w/PT | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compli | ance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | A FIRST preliminary amendment | | | | | | | | | |
| 14. | A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | A substitute specification | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | A change of power of attorney and/or address letter | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1 821 - 1.825. | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S C | . 154(d)(4) | | | | | | | | |
| 19 | A second copy of the English language translation of the international ap | plication under 35 U S C. 154(d)(4). | | | | | | | | |
| 20. x | Other items or information Twelve (12) Sheets of Formal Drawings, Co Copy of Face page of Internal Application a | | | | | | | | | |

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